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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-714-G)

In re Application of:)	
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Chad A. Mirkin, et al.)	Examiner: Robert D. Harlan
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Serial No. 09/830,620)	Group Art Unit: 1713
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Filed: November 30, 1999)	Confirmation No. 9430
)	
For: NANOPARTICLES WITH)	
POLYMER SHELLS)	

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 12, 2004. A Petition for an extension of time (three months) and requisite fee are attached herewith.

Please amend the application as shown below.

An "Amendment to the claims" section can be found on page 2.

A "Remarks" section can be found on page 10.

An Appendix A is attached.

Copies of an Information disclosure statement, 3rd Supp. IDS, 5th Supp. IDS, 12th Supp. IDS and 13th Supp. IDS are attached.